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Mr. BASHEER AHMED SAYEED:—"Have the Government ascertained whether the silt is really diverted from the Cauvery into the Coleroon?"

The hon. Sir ARCHIBALD CAMPBELL:—"Cauvery water which goes into the Coleroon necessarily takes some silt with it. Owing to various measures Government are taking and especially after the construction of the Mettur Reservoir which regulates the supply of water, much less water is now wasted in the Coleroon."

Mr. A. RANGANATHA MUDALIYAR:—"May I ask what is happening to this silt now?"

The hon. Sir ARCHIBALD CAMPBELL:—"Not much silt reached the Tanjore delta from the Cauvery river above Mettur; most of the silt came from the Amaravati and Noyyal rivers."

Irrigation of certain portions of the Udayarpalayam taluk by means of water from the Cauvery or Coleroon.

*289 *Q.*—Mr. V. T. ARASU: Will the hon. the Member for Revenue be pleased to state—

(*a*) whether it is a fact that between the years 1903 to 1905 the Government caused an investigation to be made whether it is possible to irrigate certain portions of the Udayarpalayam taluk, Trichinopoly district, by means of the water from the Cauvery or the Coleroon; and

(*b*) whether the result of that investigation would be placed on the table of the House?

A.—(*a*) Yes. The hon. Member is presumably referring to the project for a reservoir across the Nandyar river which was to receive its main supply from a channel from the Cauvery taking off above the upper anicut.

(*b*) A copy of G.O. No. 443 I., dated 8th May 1905, has been placed on the table separately.

Mr. V. T. ARASU:—"May I ask whether certain portion of the Udayarpalayam taluk were being irrigated by this project up to the year 1865?"

The hon. Sir ARCHIBALD CAMPBELL:—"I must have notice of the question."

Land Revenue Administration

Remission of land revenue in the Tanjore district.

*290 *Q.*—Mr. A. Pl. N. V. NADIMUTHU PILLAI: Will the hon. the Member for Revenue be pleased to state—

(*a*) whether the Government have received representations from various persons, Conferences of Landowners and Landholders' Associations in the Tanjore district, praying for the remission of suspended revenue, for a remission by at least 25 per cent of the land-tax in the coming year, and for the abolition of the new water-rates for a second irrigated crop on single crop wet lands proposed to be brought into force from July 1934;